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LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, March 28 ---- Hotel Warwick, 65 West 45th Street
Cocktails at 12 Noon ----- Luncheon at 12:30 PM SHARP
Members: \$2.50 ----- Guests: \$3. Tip and Tax Included

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BRITAIN'S ROLE IN WESTERN DEFENSE

by

LIEUTENANT GENERAL SIR WILLIAM DOUTHIE MORGAN, GCB, DSO, MC
Former Chairman of the British Joint Staff Mission in the United States

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One of England's most distinguished career soldiers, General Morgan was a member of the British Expeditionary Force that served in Western Europe until the Dunkirk evacuation. In 1942 he became Chief of General Staff to the Commander of Home Forces, and later headed Britain's Southern Command. In 1945 he was named Chief of Staff to the Supreme Allied Commander in the Mediterranean, Field Marshal Alexander. In this post, he helped plan the final Allied assault in Italy and later accepted the surrender of all German troops in Italy.

In 1947 General Morgan was appointed Chairman and Army member of the British Joint Staff Mission in Washington, D. C., an assignment he held until 1950.

Regarded as one of Britain's finest military strategists, General Morgan is now on a six-week tour of the U.S. before returning to England to participate in Western defense planning.

Wednesday, in an exclusive talk before the Overseas Press Club, General Morgan will present informed views on the vital role Great Britain will play in the defense of Western Europe.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY FOR THIS IMPORTANT LUNCHEON.

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SEE PAGE THREE FOR ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB AWARDS DINNER ON APRIL 20! ! !

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Who's Who Committee Meeting Clubrooms Monday, March 26, 6:15 PM
Dinner Committee Meeting Clubrooms Tuesday, March 27, 5:30 PM

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: NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS :

ACTIVE: Marion Wade Doyle Campbell, Information and Education Office, U.S. Army, in Germany. Germany, July 1946 to January 1951 for the Washington Evening Star. Proposed by DONALD P. DOANE; seconded by DOROTHY N. S. RUSSELL.

ASSOCIATE: Wayne Pennington, public relations manager, Lederle Laboratories Division, American Cyanamid Company. Mexico and Central America, six-and-half months in 1946 for the Gastonia (N.C.) Gazette. Proposed by SANFORD GRIFFITH; seconded by WYTHE WILLIAMS.

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The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership in the Overseas Press Club of America of the following candidates:

Active EDWARD KATCHER, New York Post
CHARLES M. KINSOLVING, Newsweek Magazine
LEO MISHKIN, New York Morning Telegraph
BER SMOLAR, Jewish Telegraphic Agency
WALTER G. WEISBECKER, American Broadcasting Company

Associate BARBARA JOAN MACKEY, Shell Oil Company

Guest GERTY AGOSTON, Die Nationalzeitung of Basel, Switzerland.

:::YOUR FRIENDS, COLLEAGUES, BUSINESS ASSOCIATES MAY WANT TO ATTEND THIS YEAR'S OPC DINNER. PLEASE SEND THE CLUB THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES ON THE ENCLOSED POST CARD:::::

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 * PLANS FOR OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB AWARDS DINNER ANNOUNCED;
 * EVENT AT WALDORF ASTORIA WILL TAKE PLACE ON APRIL 20
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 Josef Dine to Head Dinner Committee
 Selected to Blueprint Occasion
 Honoring Awards Winners
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President LOUIS P. LOCHNER this week announced that the Overseas Press Club will hold an Awards Presentation Dinner on Friday, April 20, at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. Chairman for the 1951 Dinner, President LOCHNER said, will be JOSEF DINE, director of NBC's press department.

Initial plans for the Club's annual red-letter-date were blueprinted Tuesday at a meeting of the Dinner Committee. Paced by recommendations from DINE, the Committee immediately plunged into details for the event to take place in less than a month.

"While we are planning a less pretentious dinner this year than in the past due to troubled world conditions," DINE said, "we confidently expect enthusiastic support and attendance from all Club Members as well as guests who are interested in world affairs."

Highlight of the dinner, which is expected to attract about 1,000 foreign correspondents, commentators, photographers and publishing executives, will be an important address on foreign affairs by an outstanding public figure whose name will shortly be announced. At its first meeting this week, the Dinner Committee announced that subscriptions for the Dinner would be \$10 each for a Member and one guest, and \$15 per plate for additional guests.

Main purpose of the Awards Presentation Dinner will be to honor the seven recipients of the 1951 Overseas Press Club Awards who are now being selected by ballot by all OPC Members. All winners will receive handsome engraved plaques, while the George Polk Memorial Award also carries a cash honorarium of \$500 presented by the Columbia Broadcasting System in honor of the late George Polk, a CBS correspondent who was murdered in Greece in 1948.

Members of this year's Dinner Committee include KATHRYN CRAVENS, TEMPLE FIELDING, HENRY FELLERMANN, SANFORD GRIFFITH, LAWRENCE G. HOOVER, THOMAS JOHNSON, JOHN D. LEVIEN, PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE, NOLA LUXFORD, RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., A. WILFRED MAY, ADELE NATHAN, GERALDINE SARTAIN, IRVING TAUBKIN, BEN WRIGHT and GERALD WYNN.

(NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: This year the OPC Dinner Committee hopes all Members will recommend to the Club the names of persons they think would like to attend the Awards Presentation Dinner. For the convenience of Members, the space on the return-postcard, usually devoted to news items, this week may be used to jot down the names and addresses of potential Dinner guests. Please fill out this card at once. All persons recommended will receive official invitations to attend the Dinner.)

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FOR RENT: Office, ideal for writer's den, on Fifth Avenue near 42nd Street. \$30 per month. Telephone Murray Hill 7-6695 before noon.

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With French President Vincent Auriol when he sailed for New York aboard the Ile de France March 20 for an official visit to the U.S. was PAUL ARCHINARD, NBC's Paris correspondent. It was ARCHINARD who gave Auriol English lessons in preparation for his trip....ADELE NATHAN teaching industrial dramatics at the American Theater Wing Professional School.... Hallie Southgate Burnett, wife of WHIT BURNETT, has a novel, "A Woman in Possession", on Dutton's spring list. She was feted this month with a book-debut party thrown by Jane and JOHN GUNTHER...

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BERT BRANDT ATTACKED
AS HE TRIES TO COVER
LA PRENSA RIOT CROWD

Acme Newspictures photographer BERT BRANDT was seized and attacked in Buenos Aires early this month when he attempted to cover riots by employees of La Prensa, independent Argentine newspaper shuttered by the Peron Government. The second OPC Member to be molested while performing professional duties in Argentina (FRANK SHEA of Time-Life was seized and later released). BRANDT reported the incident in a letter to TEMPLE FIELDING.

BRANDT wrote that he was jumped on and his life threatened before four Peron henchmen hustled him from the area. Despite the warning, BRANDT discarded his conspicuous Speed Graphic and returned to the scene with a smaller camera, but found "the picture story was over."

EDMUND CHESTER, CBS news director, vacationing in Havana and greeting old friends. He used to head the AP bureau there....Back from a five-week lecture tour to the Pacific coast, HENRY C. WOLFE spoke off-the-record recently before the Foreign Policy Association...RUTH KARPf to do a weekly dramatized political commentary, beamed to Eastern Europe, for Radio Free Europe....Senator Herbert H. Lehman speaks March 24 in the Harmonie Club's forum series on foreign policy, chairmaned by A. WILFRED MAY...

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* NON-CLUB MEMBERS MAY NOW *
* SECURE SPECIAL PERMISSION *
* TO ATTEND REGULAR EVENTS *

Non-OPC Members interested in Club functions and events may now apply for special Season Cards admitting them to all open Club meetings upon payment of regular guest rates, the Board of Governors announced this week. Thus, those who enjoy attending OPC luncheons, roundtables, cocktail parties and dinners may participate as observers even though they may not qualify for actual membership in the Club. Club Headquarters emphasized, however, that Season Cards will be granted only at the discretion of the Club and only to those the Club feels are desirable participants.

Persons who apply for and receive Season Cards will be advised of forthcoming Club functions through regular post-card announcements.

A contribution to the Club of \$10 for each Card issued will be required, the Board ruled, and applications from non-Members or from Members recommending friends may be received at once. Please address inquiries to the Executive Secretary at Club Headquarters, 1475 Broadway, New York 18, N.Y.

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THE BULLETIN'S OWN "CLASSIFIED" DEPARTMENT: (Condensed this week because of space limitations). For Sale or Rent: Lovely private retreat on the St. Lawrence River shores. Property includes eight-room house with hot and cold running water, two small cottages, two-car garage and 17 acres of secluded privacy with 1000 feet of river frontage. Fishing excellent. Ideal for writer or artist. Because of family illness, owner will sell outright or rent for season. When purchased last August, property cost \$17,000. Write Mrs. C.V.W. Kimball, 38 Rock Island Street, Gouverneur, N.Y.....For Rent: Furnished apartment in mid-Manhattan, two bedrooms, from June 22 until end of August. \$225 per month. Telephone ALEX FAULKNER, Circle 7-1776....For Rent: Furnished corner room, three windows, private terrace. No cooking. \$15. per week. Telephone Executive Secretary, OPC, at Longacre 4-0174.

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MERRILL (Red) MUELLER's piece in The Quill that "President Truman made a deal with General Eisenhower to make Ike available for the Presidential campaign of 1952" made headlines last week. MUELLER, NBC commentator in San Francisco and former NBC bureau chief in London, said Eisenhower reported the incident to him in a private talk in Denver last December. An Eisenhower spokesman in Paris on March 17, however, denied the entire story; and President Truman's press secretary, asked about the story, said, "I have no comment on any of that".

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The Club sends deep regrets to LEO BRANHAM whose mother, Mrs. Ida Branham, died March 13 while visiting the BRANHAMS in New York from her home in Missouri....Moderator JOHN DALY and panel members of CBS-TV's "What's My Line?" received gold statuettes last week from TV Today for conducting what its readers considered the best video quiz show...QUENTIN REYNOLDS is new editor of United Nations World.....Condolences to CHARLES SHAW of WCAU, Philadelphia, whose 10-year-old son, Bryan, died in January after a long illness....Add "Prize-Winning-Colleagues" Department: the AP's MAX DESFOR whose Korean shot, "Fires in the Foxholes of Soeul" won a special \$200 Korea category award in Editor & Publisher's 12th Annual Spot News Photo Contest. He also rated honorable mention for another Korea picture, "Koreans Flee Communist Hordes".....Honors also to HOWARD WHITMAN who won a Freedoms Foundation medal for his Woman's Home Companion article, "What You Can Do, Personally, to Stop Communism"....

THE OVERSEAS TICKER

FRANKFURT DATELINE: -- (Special to The Bulletin) --
ANN STRINGER and husband HANK RIES arrived here last week after a two-week vacation in Austria. They're now off for Paris en route to New York where they plan to settle. They stayed in Frankfurt with Time and Lifers Pat and ROBERT LUBAR...Drew Pearson arrived in the U.S. zone recently on his European news-gathering tour.....Mr. and Mrs. DAVID LOEHWING hit Frankfurt from Switzerland recently in time to attend the George and Martha Washington dance thrown by the Frankfurt Press Club. During their stay, they were guested by WILLIAM MCCLURE of Pathe News and his wife. Jane is expecting a second child in spring. Husband BILL is unhappy because the new Correspondents' Association in Bonn isn't accepting photographers' memberships....

PHILIP WHITCOMB, McNens News Agency, in from Paris for a few days, as is Russ Jones from Prague...Fred Shaw, HICOG PIO in Berlin, left for the U.S. February 23 for a vacation and look-see....Among guests at a farewell party for Carl Gossett, New York Times photog who is returning to the U.S., were Helen and EUGENE ENGLISH of Press Wireless...Ted Coleman shortly en route to Stateside on vacation after strenuous years keeping correspondents happy under his care in Berlin and Frankfurt....

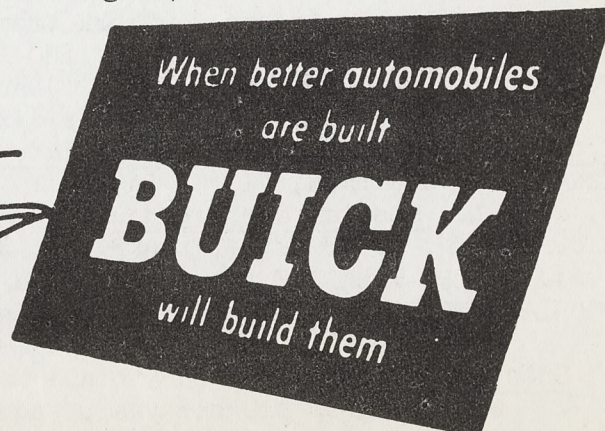
Bill Trescott, 47, Stars & Stripes rim man, died February 24 of a prolonged heart ailment...Milt Bellis, S&S sports writer to the news desk...Art Watt transferred from the Frankfurt UP bureau to Paris (transfer delayed because Miss Watt, age 2, had measles).
-- (DOROTHY N. S. RUSSELL).

HONG KONG DATELINE -- (Special to The Bulletin)-- Your Hong Kong representative has just returned after several weeks of roving correspondence in Singapore and Malaya. His first night in Singapore, he left his room in the long Adelphi Hotel corridor to discover he was next door to the New York Herald Tribune's A. T. STEELE, with whom he covered the Manchurian conquest by Japan way back in 1931-1932! This was the start of the war in which we apparently are still engaged.....

ARCH had just come from a globe-circling job, went to Indonesia for a few days and then proceeded to Hong Kong, Taiwan and Japan -- and home the end of this month....Down the corridor I also ran into a genial, broad-shouldered Irishman well-known to American newsmen out here -- Bill O'Neil, Reuters chief for the Far East. When I was running the

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*See
your nearest
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Hankow Herald just after Borodin was kicked out of the city with a Communist clique, O'Neil was a budding young Reuters correspondent... Larry Allen of Associated Press, with a scar over his nose, later came up for a drink. His scar has a much less Machiavellian appearance than that which the New York Times' Burton Crane carried about on his forehead for a couple of months after he was wounded in Korea. (Maybe Burt still has the scar; has he?). Larry Allen suffered only a brain concussion, a broken arm and a few broken ribs when set upon by a Moslem mob during the Singapore riots over the Hertogh lassie. He had been sunk about eight times during the war, he told me, but this was the first time he actually saw the faces close-up of fanaticized people...

"I was calm every minute; I could identify those men now," he told me. "Their faces were contorted; horrible. Their eyes bulged madly. I saw a picture of fanaticism I shall never forget." He says his wounds, although more impressive, were less damaging than those suffered at the same time by his AP colleague, Tom Masterson, who is about to leave the hospital at last...

Larry said he was still on "temporary assignment" in Singapore. So was another APer, Milton Marmor, a former Paterson, N.J., reporter in the days when future Commie leaders were training there...

I wonder why American news agencies generally, and bigger newspapers, don't station Americans permanently in important centers such as Malaya-Singapore. Other nationalities cannot be expected to give the same slant; it isn't a question of honesty, but of training and viewpoint. If they did so, they would not be caught with their pants down in such big stories as the Korean war, and be forced to use men inexperienced in foreign reporting -- with consequences we all know. They hadn't had the opportunity for experience. It would have been cheaper in the long run. -- (EDWARD HUNTER).

IRISH FOREIGN MINISTER
ATTACKS BRITISH RULE
AND "ENFORCED PARTITION"

Although declaring that "no country in Europe can claim to be more anti-Communist than Eire", Sean MacBride, Irish Minister of External Affairs, asserted that Ireland's support of Atlantic Pact nations in a shooting war would depend on "the

removal of British rule in the six counties now under dispute." In the United States on an official visit, Mr. MacBride addressed more than 70 OPC Members and guests at a luncheon March 19 at Toots Shor's Restaurant.

Condemning "infringement of the sovereignty of the Irish people by the enforced partition of Ireland by Britain", Mr. MacBride insisted that "the basis of democratic rule depends upon the right of the people of a nation to determine their own affairs freely by democratic means and without outside interference." Mr. MacBride did not say what Ireland would do for Western defense if Britain refuses Irish union; "that will depend on the will of the people", he added.

Among official guests of the Club at the luncheon were Sean Nunan, Secretary of the Department of External Affairs; Garth Healy, Irish Consul General in New York; Joseph D. Brennan, Counselor of the Irish Embassy; Peter Barnicle, public relations representative of the Republic of Eire in New York; and John Byrne, official representative of the Mayor of New York.

GUEST BOOK: The New York Times' ANNE O'HARE McCORMICK and CORNELIUS RYAN of Collier's... ELLISEVA SAYERS (who profiled Mr. MacBride for the Times Magazine)... HENRY RIES and ANN STRINGER RIES, just returned to New York from Germany, THOMAS MORGAN, ROSS HAZELTINE.... Also DOUG WERNER, Italian correspondent LEO REA and ADELE NATHAN.... The book prize, "The Story of the World" by Jawaharlal Nehru (John Day) was won by TOM MORGAN...

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